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Hi Government

I think you guy were a bit too easy on Microsoft. I slap on the wrist is what many of us in the industry figured would occur, and it has. The only conclusion I can figure for this, is USA economics due to the bombing on 9-11.

Microsoft is not the type of company who will discontinue it's monopoly. They will just be smarter from now on about it. The monolpoly still exists. Some of the issues have been resolved, but not the big ones.

Good luck next time, when dealing with Microsoft on similar issues in the future.

Tak Care, Richard Beard